TENNECO INC Form 8-K January 18, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): January 18, 2012 (January 18, 2012)

TENNECO INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-12387 (Commission 76-0515284 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

60045 (Zip Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Tenneco Inc. (the Company) is filing as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3 to this Form 8-K a revised form of restricted stock award for non-employee directors, restricted stock agreement for employees and stock option agreement for employees, in each case under the Company s 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan (as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with its terms).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Form of Restricted Stock Award for Non-Employee Directors.
10.2	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement for Employees.
10.3	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement for Employees.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TENNECO INC.

Date: January 18, 2012 By: /s/ James D. Harrington

James D. Harrington

Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Corporate Secretary